Palestine is being bulldozed



Israeli army bulldozers flatten communities in the West Bank city of Jenin

Israel's rulers, both civil and military, want rid of the Palestinians. In June gangs of racist settlers — who live on stolen land — attacked Palestinian West Bank villages. They threw stones at farmers, burned schools and vehicles and demolished electricity and water supplies.

Then it was the turn of the army. On 3 July 1,000 Israeli soldiers attacked the town of Jenin with the support of armed drones. They ripped up power lines, bulldozed streets and shot to kill. They even stopped ambulances reaching the wounded and attacked hospitals. Hundreds of families, already refugees from Israeli violence, left home with their hands in the air.

The time for supporting the Palestinians is now. The international community has surely had enough.

WHAT ARE SETTLEMENTS?

Over half a million Israelis live in towns built on stolen West Bank land in defiance of international law. They receive large subsidies from the state. Their towns are joined by roads that Palestinians cannot use. They have legal rights that Palestinians don't. They regularly harass neighbouring Palestinian farmers and burn their olive trees. The Israeli army frequently helps their attacks.

Settler politicians are the most extreme racists in Israeli politics. Now they hold senior government positions. Israel's allies are embarassed but give them a free pass.



Israeli settlements – a blot on the Palestinian landscape

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The atrocities on the West Bank are not unplanned. Amnesty International and others have shown that Israel has been practising apartheid against the Palestinians for years. **This has to stop.**

In Britain: Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions

Put your money where your mouth is. Europe is applying strict sanctions against Russia because of the Ukraine invasion. The apartheid state of South Africa was shut out of world sport for many years. Why are there no sanctions against the apartheid state of Israel?

The Palestinians have for years been calling for boycott, divestment and sanctions as a way of getting Israel to comply with international law and to

respect human rights for all.

Sadly the British government – Tory but with Labour support – is trying to make it illegal for local councils to break economic ties with Israeli apartheid.

The proposals are not yet law and MPs Including Merseysiders Mick Whitley and Kim Johnson have spoken against it. You can add your voice to theirs.

Sign the petition: palestinecampaign.eaction.online/noantiBDS

What else you can do....

- Urge your MP and councillors to speak out in support of the Palestinians
- Join the Palestine Solidarity Campaign and Liverpool Friends of Palestine. Get in touch (details below), 1come to our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month and support our other events.
- Boycott Puma, Hewlett Packard and Israeli goods and services.
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